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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

CHUAN-BAO WANG et al

Group Art Unit: 1743

Serial No.: 09/771,882

Examiner: Brian J. Sines

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For: POISON RESISTANT COMBUSTIBLE GAS SENSORS
AND METHOD FOR WARNING OF POISONINGRESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Office action mailed July 26, 2005.

Claims 1 through 4, 6 through 14, 21 and 22 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) over Jones et al in view of Friese et al, while Claim 5 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) over Jones et al and Friese et al and further in view of Cheng et al.

In the previous two responses, Applicants have provided experimental evidence to show that one preparing a sensor according to the teachings of the references, and particularly according to the teachings of Friese et al regarding obtaining the outer layer, obtains a sensor which is inferior to the sensors of the claimed invention. The Office action takes the